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Dear Colleague:

This letter is to call your attention to a new National Science Foundation (NSF) program, which I recently announced: the Computer Science, Engineering, and Mathematics Scholarships (CSEMS).

The primary objective of the CSEMS program is to provide educational opportunities to low-income, academically talented students through scholarships that promote full-time enrollment and degree achievement in higher education. Support is offered for such students who are working full-time toward associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degrees in computer science, computer technology, engineering, engineering technology, and mathematics. The scholarship provides up to \$2,500 per student, per academic year. In this first year of the program, approximately \$21 million is expected to be available to support up to 100 CSEMS institutional awards of up to \$110,000 per year for two years.

The program announcement (NSF 99-121) is only available electronically via NSF's Online Document System at <http://www.nsf.gov/cgi-bin/getpub?nsf99121>. Letters of intent (optional) are requested by July 16, 1999, and proposals are due August 30, 1999. The CSEMS program is being managed by the Division of Undergraduate Education of the Directorate for Education and Human Resources. Inquiries regarding CSEMS should be directed to Marilyn Suiter, EHR/DUE, telephone 703-306-1625, ext. 6812; e-mail [msuiter@nsf.gov](mailto:msuiter@nsf.gov).

CSEMS proposals must be submitted electronically using the NSF FastLane system for electronic proposal submission and review, available through the World Wide Web at the FastLane Home Page <http://www.fastlane.nsf.gov>. If your institution is not a FastLane registered institution, your Sponsored Research Office (SRO) or equivalent needs to submit the registration form located at <http://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/a0/about/registration.htm>. This should be done as soon as the decision to prepare a proposal is made. A list of FastLane registered institutions is located at [http://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/a0/fastlane\\_insts.htm](http://www.fastlane.nsf.gov/a0/fastlane_insts.htm).

The National Science Foundation encourages you to consider this opportunity to support students, who, through this program, can become successful participants in the nation's technological enterprise.

Sincerely,

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